

Earl M. Greer be requested to address the Senate and be accorded the privileges of the floor.

SUITER.

The resolution was read and adopted.

#### Simple Resolution No. 21.

(Pending.)

The Chair laid before the Senate Simple Resolution No. 21, requesting the Governor to submit for consideration the repeal of acts creating normals and other State schools passed at the Regular Session of this Legislature. (See page 28 for the resolution in full and page 35 for the committee substitute for same.)

Senator Bailey moved that the resolution be laid on the table subject to call.

The motion prevailed.

#### Adjournment.

At 12:25 o'clock p. m. the Senate, on motion of Senator Gibson, adjourned until 10 o'clock tomorrow.

#### APPENDIX.

##### Petitions and Memorials.

Senator Johnson of Hall offered the following, which, by unanimous consent, was ordered here printed:

Tulia, Texas, Aug. 1, 1917.

W. A. Johnson, Senator, Austin, Texas:

Referring to Governor's message to Legislature asking help for people in Central and West Texas, this does not apply to the Panhandle and in particular to Swisher County. We have about five thousand people in this county, of whom three thousand are producers, and will produce over five million dollars' worth of wheat and feed crops this year. Cattle are in as good shape as they have been for years. We expect to pay our taxes when due. All we need is more farmers. We are in favor of helping the needy, but desire to have our condition put before the people at large in the proper light.

YOUNG MEN'S BUSINESS LEAGUE.

W. W. Tucker, Secretary.

#### Committee Report.

Committee Room.

Austin, Texas, Aug. 20, 1917.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred S. B. No. 4, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Alanreed Independent School District in Gray County, Texas, defining its metes and bounds, providing for a board of trustees therefor, vesting it with the rights and duties of districts incorporated for school purposes only under the general laws, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be not printed.

BEE, Chairman.

#### THIRTEENTH DAY.

Senate Chamber,

Austin, Texas,

Tuesday, August 21, 1917.

The Senate met at 10 o'clock a. m. pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Lieutenant Governor W. P. Hobby.

The roll was called, a quorum being present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Alderdice.	Johnson of Hall.
Bailey.	Johnston of Harris
Bee.	Lattimore.
Buchanan of Bell.	McCollum.
Buchanan of Scurry.	McNealus.
Caldwell.	Page.
Clark.	Parr.
Dayton.	Robbins.
Dean.	Smith.
Decherd.	Strickland.
Floyd.	Suiter.
Gibson.	Westbrook.
Hall.	Woodward.
Henderson.	

Absent—Excused.

Harley.	Hudspeth.
Hopkins.	

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday, the same was dispensed with on motion of Senator McNealus.

**Excused.**

Senator Harley, for yesterday and today on account of important business on motion of Senator Bailey.

Senator Smith, for yesterday on account of important business, on motion of Senator Strickland.

Senator Westbrook for yesterday on account of important business, on motion of Senator McNealus.

**Petitions and Memorials.**

There were none today.

**Committee Reports.**

See Appendix.

**Bills and Resolutions.**

By Senator Dayton:

S. B. No. 7, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing counties acting through their commissioners courts to purchase seeds to be planted on farms in such counties by residents thereof who are poor and unable to procure same and to purchase feed for the work stock of such residents, and prescribing the terms and conditions, rules and regulations, by which such seeds and feed will be furnished said residents of the counties who are poor and unable to procure the same, and prescribing the amount thereof which may be furnished; authorizing counties to use their general funds for this purpose, where they have such funds; authorizing them to issue warrants against such funds if such counties will have the same when the taxes for the year 1918 are collected; authorizing counties of the State to issue bonds under Title 18, Chapter 1. of the Revised Civil Statutes, for the purpose of obtaining funds to be used as aforesaid; prescribing when the commissioners courts shall submit the question for the issuance of bonds, the limitations thereof, and making the title and chapter above mentioned applicable to this act; providing how the proceeds of such bonds shall be handled; conferring certain powers and prescribing certain duties relative to the administration of this act on the commissioners courts and the county clerks of the various counties of the State; defining the terms of the ap-

plication and the contract by which residents of the counties acting within the purview of this act may obtain seed and feed hereunder, and providing for the payment therefor by such persons; conferring certain power and authority upon the county treasurer and the county attorney relative to the administration of this act; providing the terms and conditions upon which the State will advance certain amounts to the various counties of the State to augment the funds provided for the purchase of seeds and feed, and the distribution of same hereunder; stating the percentage of the amount which the State will advance, and the terms and conditions thereof; prescribing certain duties for the Commissioner of Agriculture, the State Treasurer, the Comptroller of Public Accounts and the Attorney General, of the State of Texas, relative to the administration of this act; providing for the repayment to the State of funds advanced by it; defining and creating certain offenses for violations of the terms of this act, and providing punishment therefor; stating when operation may be commenced under this act and when the distribution of seed and feed hereunder shall cease; making an appropriation for carrying out the purposes of this act in the sum of five hundred thousand (\$500,000) dollars, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to the Committee on Agricultural Affairs.

By Senator Caldwell:

S. B. No. 8, A bill to be entitled "An Act to prevent the introduction into the State of Texas, of the pest known as the pink boll worm, and to control and eradicate such insect pest in the event its presence in this State is discovered; creating a zone along the southern and southwestern boundary of the State from which cotton products may not be transported; providing for the inspection of fields of cotton and for the inspection and general control of cotton produced in an inspection zone; and to provide for the quarantine and control of any territory within this State in which the pink boll worm may be found; providing for an appropriation, and creating an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Agricultural Affairs.

Morning call concluded.

**Simple Resolution No. 21.**

Senator Bailey called up from the table Simple Resolution No. 21, and the Chair laid the same before the Senate.

Senator Floyd moved the adoption of the committee report, carrying the following:

**Committee Substitute.**

Whereas, At the Regular Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature laws were passed establishing the West Texas A. and M. College, the Sul Ross Normal, Stephen F. Austin Normal, the South Texas Normal and several junior A. and M. colleges; and,

Whereas, Since the passage of these laws our country has become involved in war with certain foreign countries whereby a large number of young men will be drafted into the service, and which will necessarily decrease the attendance in our colleges and universities and which will lessen the demand for said normals and agricultural schools in this State; and,

Whereas, An extensive drouth has practically enveloped the entire State resulting in poor crop conditions and bringing distress upon a large portion of our State population; and,

Whereas, Our State tax rate has already reached the constitutional limit and on account of extensive crop failures a large proportion of the people of the State are asking for aid and many of whom will be burdened to meet their present tax rate; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate of the State of Texas request that the Governor submit to the Legislature for their consideration the repeal of the laws passed at the Regular Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature establishing the West Texas A. and M. College, the Sul Ross College, the Stephen F. Austin Normal College, the South Texas Normal College, and several junior A. and M. colleges.

Provided that nothing herein shall apply to the John Tarlton College at Stephenville, Texas, the Commerce Normal College at Commerce, Texas, and the Grubbs Vocational School at Arlington, Texas, as no request is made by this resolution to repeal the laws creating said schools. And provided further, that the request is made hereby for the Governor to submit to this Legislature the question

of repealing of the law creating and making an appropriation for the Northwest Texas Insane Asylum and the act appropriating two million dollars for the aid of rural schools.

The substitute was read and Senator Bee offered the following amendment:

(1) Amend the committee report by striking out that portion of the committee report calling upon the Governor to submit a message asking for the repeal of the Act appropriating two million dollars for the aid of rural schools.

Senator Bailey offered the following substitute for the pending amendment:

Amend the committee report by inserting after the word "repealing" in the third line from the close of the resolution the words "or amending."

Pending.

**Executive Session.**

The Chair, Lieutenant-Governor Hobby, here announced that the hour heretofore designated by the Senate for executive session had arrived, and directed the Sergeant-at-Arms to clear the Chamber of all persons not entitled to remain; which was accordingly done and the Senate proceeded to executive session.

The Secretary reports to the Journal Clerk that the following confirmations were made:

Hon. Covey C. Thomas, of La Salle county, to be judge of the Eighty-first Judicial District of Texas, appointed August 3, 1917.

Hon. B. D. Tarleton, Jr., of Bee county, to be district attorney of the Thirty-sixth Judicial District of Texas, appointed August 3, 1917.

**In the Senate.**

Lieutenant Governor Hobby in the chair.

**Messages from the Governor.**

The Chair here laid before the Senate the following messages from the Governor received today.

The messages in full are as follows:

Governor's Office,  
Austin, Texas, Aug. 21, 1917.

To the Thirty-fifth Legislature in  
Called Session:

At the request of Honorable W. V. Dunman and Honorable F. M. Fitzpatrick, I submit for your consideration a bill, hereto attached, being an Act to amend Articles 1867 and 1868 of the Revised Statutes by adding Article 1868a, providing that a defendant in the service of the United States as a soldier shall not be required to answer to the merits of a demand sued upon during the time he is actively engaged in the war between the United States and Germany, etc.

I also submit for your consideration a bill, hereto attached, being an act to amend the special road law of Cass County, Texas, etc.

Respectfully submitted,  
JAS. E. FERGUSON,  
Governor of Texas.

Governor's Office,  
Austin, Texas, Aug. 21, 1917.

To the Thirty-fifth Legislature in  
Second Called Session:

Upon the urgent request of many people living in the territory involved, and especially upon the request of Honorable J. P. Buchanan, Congressman from the Travis County District of Texas, I submit for your consideration a bill, hereto attached, prepared by Honorable Leonard Tillotson and others, having for its purpose the prevention of the ravages of the pink boll worm along our Mexican border and such legislation as will prevent its spread into the United States. The Agricultural Department of Washington, together with our State Agricultural Department, are taking this matter up, actively, and legislation along this line may be necessary in order for them to combat this impending evil.

Respectfully submitted,  
JAS. E. FERGUSON,  
Governor of Texas.

Governor's Office,  
Austin, Texas, Aug. 21, 1917.

To the Thirty-fifth Legislature in  
Second Called Session:

At the urgent request of Honorable James T. Robison, Commissioner of the General Land Office, I submit for your consideration and such action as

in your wisdom you may deem necessary the following letter, relating to the payment of interest on public lands:

General Land Office  
State of Texas

Austin, Texas, August 20, 1917.

Hon. James E. Ferguson, Governor,  
Austin, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Noting with sympathy your suggestion that the Legislature may consider the subject of relief for persons residing in the middle west it is believed you will pardon this intrusive suggestion that the territory be enlarged so as to include the counties comprising the extreme west where conditions are perhaps worse than the middle west because there grass is practically the only primary base for revenue while in the middle west revenue from grass is supplemented with cultivated crops.

Without information as to the character of relief that may be contemplated for the area included in your message of recent date, some small assistance could be extended to a few persons in the extreme west by the postponement of forfeitures for non-payment of interest.

For the purpose of acquainting you with the present situation and of drawing legislative attention to the administration of affairs in this department when crises like the present confront the debtors of the State so that there may be some expression from the supreme authority in public affairs for either correction in methods in this department or for approval of such administration facts leading up to the present will be given.

Beginning in 1915 rains ceased to give seasons in the extreme west. Following in 1916, or last year, there was less rain. Stock had to be moved or fed. Losses were heavy. On account of conditions this department postponed forfeiting the land for non-payment of interest due November 1, 1915. At present in the counties of Brewster, Crockett, Culberson, El Paso, Jeff Davis, Loving, Pecos, Presidio, Reeves, Terrell, Val Verde, Ward and Winkler there are 388,187 acres aggregating \$859,337 due the school fund on which there are \$25,974 interest due to November 1, 1915, or \$51,948 now due and unpaid to November 1, 1916. Without some legislative



authority to further postpone forfeiting this land forfeiture will be declared within a week because to further postpone might be an abuse of a sound discretion in an administrative department, though it is believed most all of this past due interest would be paid if the owners were permitted to keep the land until rains come and grass grows, and, if so, the school fund would get past due interest, and the people would have an asset to begin anew. To forfeit now the school fund would lose the interest, the owner would lose the land, and it is doubtful if the land would be resold for as much as the school fund now holds against it.

A few years ago when a like condition prevailed forfeitures were deferred upon lands on which there were some \$300,000 interest due the school fund. When rains fell, the grass grew and the land was restocked, the owners were called upon for the interest and all was paid except about \$7,000.

This department has postponed forfeitures at present for interest due to November 1, 1916, but feels like that is as far as it can go in the exercise of a sound discretion, therefore, through your legislative advice is sought.

The statute relative to forfeitures simply says when interest is not paid on November 1, the land shall be subject to forfeitures without any suggestion as to when the forfeiture shall be declared. A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Legislature is all that is necessary.

Yours very truly,  
(Signed) J. T. ROBISON,  
Commissioner.

Robison-phb"

Respectfully submitted,  
JAS. E. FERGUSON,  
Governor.

#### Recess.

At 12:15 o'clock p. m. the Senate, on motion of Senator Clark, recessed until 3 o'clock today.

#### After Recess.

(Afternoon Session.)

The Senate was called to order at 3 p. m. by Lieutenant Governor Hobby.

#### Simple Resolution No. 21.

(Pending.)

Action recurred upon S. R. No. 21 as pending business (see the morning session for the resolution) the question being upon the substitute amendment offered by Senator Bailey for the pending amendment by Senator Bee. Pending.

(Senator Lattimore in the chair.)

#### Executive Session.

Senator Hudspeth moved that the Senate go into executive session next Thursday morning at eleven o'clock for consideration of all nominations of the Governor.

As a substitute Senator McNealus moved that next Tuesday morning, August 28, at 11 o'clock be set as the time for such executive session.

The substitute motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—12.

Alderdice.	Johnston of Harris.
Buchanan of Bell.	Lattimore.
Buchanan of Scurry.	McNealus.
Floyd.	Robbins.
Gibson.	Strickland.
Johnson of Hall.	Suiter.

Nays—11.

Bailey.	Harley.
Bee.	Hudspeth.
Caldwell.	McCollum.
Clark.	Page.
Decherd.	Parr.
Hall.	

Present—Not Voting.

Dean.

Absent.

Dayton.	Westbrook.
Henderson.	Woodward.
Smith.	

Absent—Excused.

Hopkins.

Senator Hudspeth moved that the Senate go into executive session next Thursday at 11 o'clock a. m. to consider two certain nominees.

Senator McNealus made the point of order that all nominations are included in the motion heretofore adopted.

The point of order was sustained. Senator Bailey moved to rescind

the vote by which next Thursday morning was set as the time for an executive session to consider nominations by the Governor.

The motion was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—10.

Bailey.	Harley.
Bee.	Hudspeth.
Clark.	McCollum.
Decherd.	Page.
Hall.	Parr.

Nays—16.

Alderdice.	Johnson of Hall.
Buchanan of Bell.	Johnston of Harris.
Buchanan of Scurry.	Lattimore.
Caldwell.	McNealus.
Dean.	Robbins.
Floyd.	Smith.
Gibson.	Suiter.
Henderson.	Westbrook.

Absent.

Dayton.	Woodward.
Strickland.	

Absent—Excused.

Hopkins.

Senator McNealus moved to reconsider the vote by which the motion was lost and table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

#### Senate Bill No. 4.

The Chair laid before the Senate on second reading:

S. B. No. 4, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Alanreed Independent School District in Gray county, Texas, defining its metes and bounds, providing for a board of trustees therefor, vesting it with the rights and duties of districts incorporated for school purposes only under the general laws and declaring an emergency."

The committee report that the bill be not printed was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Johnson of Hall, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and S. B. No. 4 put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—26.

Alderdice.	Henderson.
Bailey.	Hudspeth.
Bee.	Johnson of Hall.
Buchanan of Bell.	Johnston of Harris.
Buchanan of Scurry.	Lattimore.
Caldwell.	McCollum.
Clark.	McNealus.
Dayton.	Page.
Dean.	Parr.
Decherd.	Smith.
Gibson.	Strickland.
Hall.	Suiter.
Harley.	Westbrook.

Absent.

Floyd.	Woodward.
Robbins.	

Absent—Excused.

Hopkins.

The bill was laid before the Senate read third time and, on motion of Senator Johnson of Hall, was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—26.

Alderdice.	Hudspeth.
Bailey.	Johnson of Hall.
Bee.	Johnston of Harris.
Buchanan of Bell.	Lattimore.
Buchanan of Scurry.	McCollum.
Clark.	McNealus.
Dayton.	Page.
Dean.	Parr.
Decherd.	Robbins.
Gibson.	Smith.
Hall.	Strickland.
Harley.	Suiter.
Henderson.	Westbrook.

Absent.

Caldwell.	Woodward.
Floyd.	

Absent—Excused.

Hopkins.

#### Telegram.

The Chair laid before the Senate the following:

Washington, D. C.  
3 p. m. Aug. 21, 1917.

Hon. W. P. Hobby or Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker, Austin, Texas.

I appreciate your invitation and if August 29 is satisfactory, I will address the Legislature on that date.

J. THOS. HEFLIN.

Senator Bailey moved that the

Secretary confer with the Chief Clerk of the House, and, if agreeable with the House, reply to the Hon. J. Thos. Heflin that the 29th inst. is satisfactory to the Legislature.

The motion prevailed.

### Adjournment.

At 5:00 o'clock p. m. the Senate on motion of Senator Hudspeth adjourned until 10 o'clock tomorrow.

### APPENDIX.

#### Committee Report.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, Aug. 21, 1917.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Labor, to whom was submitted

S. B. No. 5, A bill to be entitled "An Act to regulate the business of emigrant agents; defining emigrant agents; providing for licensing any person, firm, or private employment agency desiring to be licensed as an emigrant agent, and prescribing the method of obtaining such license, and the requirements thereof, and defining who may be licensed, etc., and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration and beg to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be not printed in bill form but be printed in the Journal only.

McNEALUS, Chairman.

By Hall.

S. B. No. 5.

#### A BILL To be entitled

An Act to regulate the business of emigrant agents; defining emigrant agents; providing for licensing any person, firm, or private employment agency desiring to be licensed as an emigrant agent, and prescribing the method of obtaining such license, and the requirements thereof, and defining who may be licensed; prescribing certain duties relative to the Act and its administration for the Commissioner of Labor Statistics and the Attorney General, and conferring certain authority relative to the administration of this Act upon said Commissioner; fixing the fees which

may be charged by parties licensed hereunder, and fixing the license fees to be paid by those licensed hereunder; creating and defining offenses for violations of this Act, and prescribing the punishment therefor; providing that all fees collected hereunder shall be paid directly into the State Treasury; declaring that all appropriations made for the Department of the Commissioner of Labor Statistics may be used in the enforcement and administration of this Act, and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That no person, firm, or private employment agency shall carry on the business of an emigrant agent in this State without first having obtained a license therefor from the Commissioner of Labor Statistics of the State of Texas.

Sec. 2. The term "Emigrant Agent," as contemplated in this Act, shall be construed to mean any person engaged in hiring laborers or soliciting emigrants in this State to be employed beyond the limits of this State.

Sec. 3. Any person, firm, or private employment agency desiring to be licensed hereunder as an emigrant agent shall make application to the Commissioner of Labor Statistics, on forms to be prescribed by said Commissioner, in which he or she shall state his or her name, age, place where his or her business is to be conducted, his or her previous occupation for the last five years, and the names of the counties of the State in which he or she expect to engage in the business of hiring laborers or soliciting emigrants in this State to be employed beyond the limits of the State. Such application shall, also, be accompanied by affidavits of at least three credible men that the applicant is of good moral character. The Commissioner of Labor Statistics may require additional evidence of the moral character of the applicant, if necessary, and no license shall be granted to any person except one of good moral character. Such application shall be examined by the Commissioner of Labor Statistics, and if he finds that the same in all respects complies with the law and that the applicant is entitled to a license under this Act, then he shall issue a license to the applicant for each county for which application is made,

and shall deliver such license to the applicant, upon the payment of a license fee of two hundred and fifty dollars for each of said counties, and the execution of a good and sufficient bond in the penal sum of five hundred dollars for each county, to be approved by said Commissioner of Labor Statistics, and conditioned that the obligor will not violate any of the duties, terms, conditions and requirements of this Act. Said Commissioner is authorized to cause action to be brought on said bond by the Attorney General for any violation of any of its conditions; and any person aggrieved by any action or conduct of any such licensed party may bring action for damages against such party on said bond and recover thereon and against the bondsmen in any court of competent jurisdiction, without the necessity of making the State a party thereto. On a full hearing the Commissioner may revoke any license for any violation of the provisions of this Act, or any lawful rule of the Commissioner.

Sec. 4. It shall be the duty of every party licensed hereunder to keep and maintain an office, at which office a complete record of the business transacted shall be kept; there shall be kept a substantial book, in the form prescribed by the Commissioner of Labor Statistics, in which shall be entered the age, sex, nativity, trade, or occupation, name and address of every person or laborer hired or emigrant solicited to be employed beyond the limits of this State and where such person or emigrant was directed to go, and the address of such person or emigrant, if known. Such licensed party shall also enter in a register the name and address of every person who shall make application for laborers or emigrants to be employed beyond the limits of this State. All the books and registers, correspondence, memoranda, papers, and records of every party licensed hereunder shall be subject to examination, at any time, by the Commissioner of Labor Statistics, his deputies and inspectors. The fees charged for hiring laborers or soliciting emigrants in this State for employment beyond the limits of this State shall not exceed two dollars (\$2.00) for each such person or emigrant; and the fees charged any person who desires to find labor beyond the State or to emigrate beyond the boundaries of the State for the pur-

pose of obtaining employment shall not exceed two dollars (\$2.00) for each such person, and in no event shall more than two dollars (\$2.00) be collected from any one for the same person who seeks employment beyond the State as a laborer or emigrant. Provided, that in all cases where the applicant who seeks employment beyond the State does not obtain such employment through the party licensed hereunder, then such party must return all fees collected from such applicant within thirty days after same has been collected.

Sec. 5. It shall be the duty of the Commissioner of Labor Statistics to enforce this Act, and when any violation thereof comes to his knowledge, it shall be his duty to institute criminal proceedings for the enforcement of its penalties before any court of competent jurisdiction. He may make such rules and regulations for the enforcement of this Act, not inconsistent herewith, as to him may seem proper.

Sec. 6. Any person engaging in the business governed and regulated by this Act, except in accordance with the provisions hereof and except he is licensed, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be fined not less than one hundred dollars nor more than three hundred dollars for each such offense, or by imprisonment in the county jail for not less than thirty days nor more than ninety days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Sec. 7. All license fees collected under this Act by the Commissioner of Labor Statistics shall be paid directly into the State Treasury.

Sec. 8. All appropriations heretofore made for the support and maintenance of the Department of the Commissioner of Labor Statistics may be used in the enforcement and administration of this Act.

Sec. 9. There being no adequate laws on the Statutes of this State regulating the business of those engaged in hiring laborers or soliciting emigrants in this State to be employed beyond the limits of same, and there being a great abuse and many injustices arising out of such occupation at the present time, creates an emergency and an imperative public necessity which requires that the constitutional rule providing that bills shall be read on three several days in each house, be suspended, and said rule is hereby suspended, and that this Act take effect



and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Senate Chamber,  
Austin Texas, Aug. 21, 1917.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate:

Sir: Your Committee on State Affairs recommend the passage of Simple Resolution No. 25 changed so as to read as follows:

#### Committee Substitute.

Whereas, During the First Called Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature Wilbur P. Allen's appointment as Regent of the University of Texas was confirmed by the Senate; and

Whereas, Before said confirmation, the said Wilbur P. Allen, in person and through his agents and friends, advised various members of this body that, if confirmed, he would not favor the discharge of any instructor in the University of Texas without giving such person a fair, complete and impartial hearing; and

Whereas, Because and by reason of these and sundry other statements the said Wilbur P. Allen was confirmed; and

Whereas, Said statements and promises made by said Allen were not carried out and kept; and

Whereas, He received his confirmation because of said statements and representations, and the Senate is of opinion that said Allen has not kept faith with the Senate; therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Senate of the State of Texas, that said Wilbur P. Allen secured his confirmation as Regent as the result of such statements made by and through him and his friends and agents, with his approval, and that it is the sense of this body that he should resign at once.

McCOLLUM, Chairman.

#### FOURTEENTH DAY.

Senate Chamber,  
Austin, Texas,  
Wednesday, Aug. 22, 1917.

The Senate met at 10 o'clock a. m. pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Lieutenant Governor W. P. Hobby.

The roll was called, a quorum being present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Alderdice.	Henderson.
Bailey.	Hopkins.
Bee.	Hudspeth.
Buchanan of Bell.	Johnson of Hall.
Buchanan of Scurry.	Johnston of Harris.
Caldwell.	Lattimore.
Clark.	McCollum.
Dayton.	McNealus.
Dean.	Page.
Decherd.	Robbins.
Floyd.	Smith.
Gibson.	Suiter.
Hall.	Westbrook.
Harley.	Woodward.

Absent.

Parr. Strickland.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday, the same was dispensed with on motion of Senator McNealus.

#### Excused.

Senator Parr was excused for today on account of important business, on motion of Senator Bee.

#### Petitions and Memorials.

There were none today.

#### Committee Reports.

See Appendix.

#### Concurrent Resolution No. 3.

Whereas, The long continued drouth in the western portion of the State during the past two years has imposed burdens so onerous upon the people that it is deemed wise that the payment of interest due and soon to become due to the school fund may be postponed to the advantage of the State, the school fund and the owners of the land; and

Whereas, The Commissioner of the General Land Office, has heretofore under similar conditions exercised a discretion in postponement of the payment of interest until conditions improved and it appearing that such postponement was for the best interest of all concerned; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Senate of the